



Axis Retreat on 2 Fronts

Many Japs Killed As Invaders Lose Ground on Luzon

Our Daily Bread

Sliced Thin by The Editor
ALEX. H. WASHBURN

Woe-Time Camaraderie AP Executive Chief Cries

On December 16 President Roosevelt announced the government's decision to suspend the war-time rationing of food and other necessities. This is the first time since the beginning of the war that the government has taken such a step. It is a sign of the government's confidence in the American people's ability to control their own consumption.

Big Army, Navy Expansion Bill Becomes Law

Calls for 800
Vessels, Immediate
Army Increase
of 150,000

WASHINGTON—(AP)—President Roosevelt signed Thursday a bill authorizing the expansion of the Army and Navy. The bill provides for an immediate increase of 150,000 in the Army and the construction of 800 new warships. It also authorizes the expansion of the Navy's fleet of aircraft carriers and submarines.

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Secretary of War Henry Stimson announced Thursday that the War Department was planning to expand the Army's strength to 1,200,000 men. This would be the largest peacetime strength in the history of the United States. The expansion would be achieved by increasing the number of divisions and the size of each division.

U. S. Officials Are Removed

Army, Navy Heads
Held Responsible for
Hawaii Disaster

By the Associated Press
WASHINGTON—The Army and Navy removed the ranking officers of the Hawaiian area from their commands Wednesday night because of the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor. The removal was a surprise. The officers were: Lt. Gen. Walter C. Short, commander of the Hawaiian Department; Maj. Gen. Frederick L. Martin, commander of the Hawaiian Air Force; and Brig. Gen. C. L. Tinker, commander of the Hawaiian Navy Force.

They cost so little but do so much. Every citizen should lend a helping hand in this voluntary campaign. Talbot Field, Jr., County Chairman. Rev. J. E. Hamill, City Chairman.

Hard Pressed British Lose Kedah State

Fighting Moves
to Perak; Penang,
Island and City
Apparently Lost

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Plan to Set Up Supreme Allied War Authority

British Indicate
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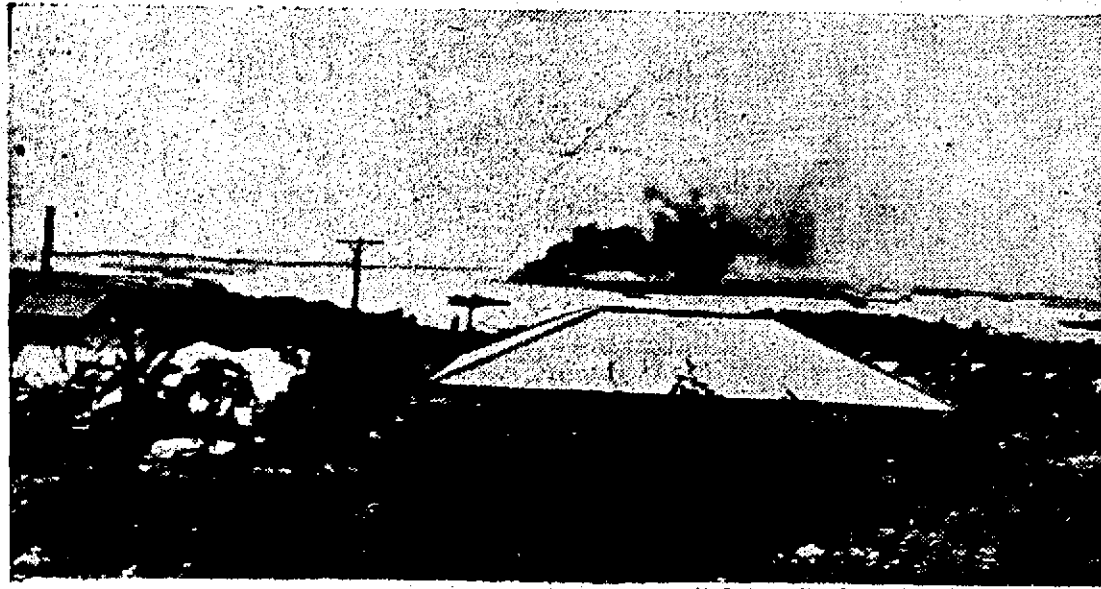
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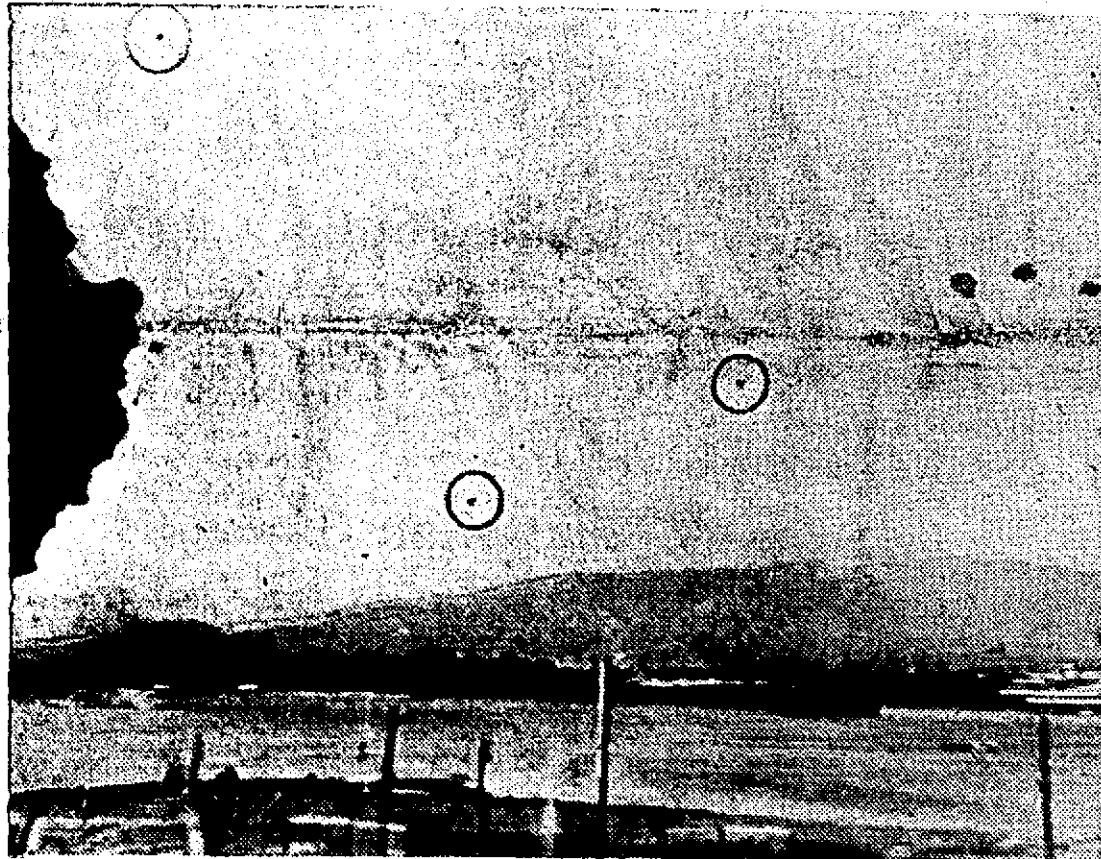
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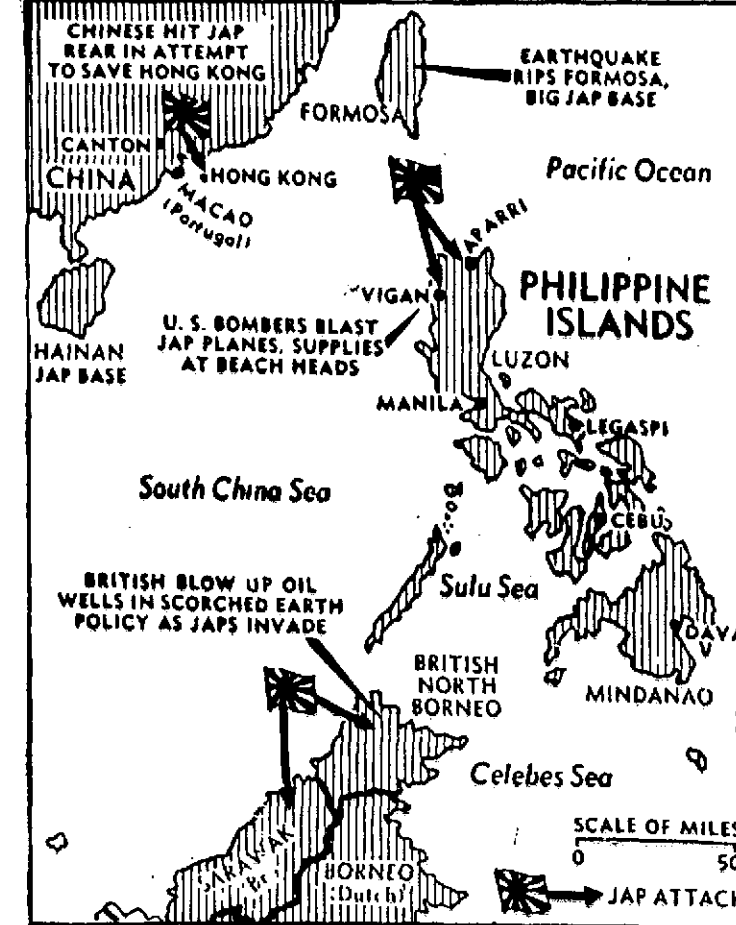
First Pictures of Japanese Attack on Pearl Harbor; the Arizona Burns



Battleship burns, sinks during attack on Hawaii—The U. S. S. Arizona on fire and sinking in Pearl Harbor after raid by Japanese bombers on December 7th.



Japs attack under fire at Pearl Harbor—Enemy bombers (encircled) dive on objectives during December 7th attack on Pearl Harbor. Smoke at left is from U. S. S. Arizona and at right are tiny clouds of bursting anti-aircraft shells.



Pacific War Map on Page 7—Save It

The first of two big-scale war maps recently purchased by The Star appears on Page 7 of today's edition. It is a detailed map of the Pacific war zone, and on the reverse side of the sheet, on Page 8, are detailed maps of U. S. island possessions.

Steamer Hits Mine, 500 Lost

First Sea-Plane Carrier in History Goes Down

MANILA—(AP)—Approximately 500 persons were apparently lost in the sinking of the inter-island passenger steamer, Corregidor, in deep shark-infested waters near Manila bay Wednesday, it was reported Thursday. Approximately 300 were known to have been rescued. Little hope was held for the recovering of many bodies.

Near Routs in Both Russia and Libya Reported

Turning Point
in War Seen as
Axis Lines Broken
Everywhere

By the Associated Press
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Trebek Reklav's wife dreamed up a stopper
When she asked for goshes of copper.
Said he, "That will take years
And innumerable beers—
My priority number's a stopper."

5 SHOPPING DAYS TILL CHRISTMAS

Answers on Comic Page

Alaska and the War Today

Northern Bases Are Bombing Distance From Tokyo

Just before the war broke out between America and Japan, Sam Jackson, AP Feature Service staff writer, made a comprehensive survey of the Alaska defense situation. Here, in the first of a series of three articles, he tells what the war means to Alaska and what Alaska means to America.)

By SAM JACKSON
AP Feature Service Staff Writer
JUNEAU, Alaska—The largest, richest area of undeveloped territory in the world, not even excepting the interior of Africa and South America, is a stake in the war between Japan, the United States and Great Britain.

Inhabitants of the eastern seaboard and areas of such huge areas as Texas and California find it hard to grasp the immensity of Alaska and British Columbia and the Yukon and Northwest Territories.

Here are great prizes for an expanding, overpopulated nation such as Japan. They rival and possibly exceed the ancient tending lands of the Far East to which the Nippon nation so far has directed her energies. They constitute a great frontier, comparable to that which American pioneers found when they invaded the West.

Nothing is so erroneous as the general impression that Alaska and western Canada are bleak, inhospitable regions of perpetual ice and snow. The warm waters of the Japanese current moderate the temperature, giving much of the coastal area a climate similar to that of the northern United States.

Indeed, the winters are severe. But old timers content that once the temperature drops to zero it doesn't make much practical difference if it goes to 40 or 50 below. At Fairbanks near the Arctic Circle, life goes on comfortably and normally the year around.

Difficult Defense.
The riches of this land consists of fish, timber, various minerals, and furs. Under American ownership the tourist attractions are valuable. A land-hungry nation like Japan could develop incalculable agricultural and dairy resources.

Both the conquest and defense of Alaska and western Canada present problems probably unique in warfare.

Most of the population is confined to a few small, widely separated settlements. Outside of these 1 wilderness, Alaska has about one inhabitant for every ten square miles, and nearly half the population is Indian. The vast, sprawling area of Canada's North West Territories is virtually uninhabited.

Strategic Position.
To project key positions in Alaska the Navy has established powerful bases at Dutch Harbor, situated on the distant Aleutian island of Unalaska, and at Kodiak and Sitka. The Army has hastily constructed airfields at Anchorage, Fairbanks and Agassie Island.

This capital of Alaska, which has a population of only 5,743, is virtually defenseless in itself. However, it is bulwarked by rugged Baranof Island, where the Navy has constructed a base.

Should an enemy succeed in taking such ports as Seward, Juneau, Skagway and Ketchikan, it would control Alaska. Through them move the fish, gold and furs that America buys and back through them move the food, oil and manufactured goods that Alaska requires.

To what extent the Army and Navy regard Alaska as a base for offensive operations has never been divulged. Dutch Harbor is a great deal closer to Tokyo than Tokyo is to Honolulu. The Japanese capital is, in fact, in easy range of a modern bombing plane.

Whether we merely defend Alaska or use it as a springboard toward Japan would seem one of the major questions of current military strategy.

Saratoga High School News

Okay Grade School Honor Roll
Those students in the Okay grade school who had no grade lower than B and were neither absent nor tardy for the third month are:

First grade—Jerry Hargis, Leland Dossy, Roscoe Nelson, Don Smith, Stanley Spates, Dorothy Chaffin, Ruby Jo Shirley, Virginia Lou Tollett, and Sherry Schooley.

Second—Coy Bohannon, Charles W. McJunkins, Betty Canton, Susan Smith, and Lettie Smith.

Third—Paulette Rosenbaum, Elma Ella Jones, and Jean Goodwin.

Fourth—Clara Mae Tolleson and Lola Jane Sloan.

Fifth—June Smith and Alva O'Brien.

Sixth—Marshall Thompson and Peggy Lou McCorkle.

Seventh—Bobby O'Brien, Charlotte Blackwood, and Nina De Lony.

Eighth—Caryl Smith, Beulah Sutton, Edwin Coley, Ella Louise Delinger, and Klolla Hester.

The 4-H Club Meeting Held
The 4-H club met at Saratoga, Thursday, December 11. Officers for the new club year were elected. They were: President—Mary Elizabeth Guthrie; vice-president—Virginia Jones and secretary—Barbara O'Brien.

Saratoga vs. Emmet
The Saratoga Bulldogs played their second game of basketball Friday night, December 5 in the Saratoga gym. The girls won their game by a score of 48-30, but Emmet boys were victorious by a score of 39-21. The Bulldogs will go to Emmet to return the game, December 16.

Saratoga vs. North Heights
Friday night, December 9, North Heights and Saratoga played here.

We, the Women

If These Things Happen—You're at a "Box Party"

By BETH KELLEY
You'll know you're in a "box party" when you're in a room where the women are sitting in a circle and the men are standing around them. The women are talking and the men are listening. The women are the "boxes" and the men are the "party."

North Heights was all these women. The women were Glad, Ma, Mary, Mary, and the Junior High boys. 20-22, and the Junior High boys. 20-22.

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Christmas

ONLY 5 More Shopping Days

Only 5 more shopping days before Christmas. Don't wait until the last day. The last minute rush will be on and then shopping will become a nightmare. For your convenience we will remain OPEN NIGHTS FROM FRIDAY UNTIL CHRISTMAS. You'll find gifts for everyone at ROBISON'S



Shimmering Satin Housecoats

Heavy luxurious satin housecoats in lustrous wine or moss blue. Fitted waists and full flaring skirts. Zipper full length or wrap around style. The thrill of receiving it is only the beginning. For she'll thrill every time she puts it on for months to come.

\$7.98



Quilted Satin Housecoats

Thick quilted housecoats in a delicate shade of pink. Wrap-around style, fitted at the waist and full flaring skirts. A truly exquisite Christmas gift she'll wear and appreciate for many months.

\$12.50



Lace Trimmed Slips

Lustrous rayon satin slips with camisole style top and wide lace trim at the bottom. An elegant gift that will thrill any feminine heart on your list.

\$1.98 and \$2.25

HOUSE SLIPPERS

A pair of lovely slippers will delight her Christmas morning, and here's a group at a popular price that will just fill the bill. A large selection of styles in all colors. Medium or low heels heights.

98¢ to 1.98

We Give Eagle Stamps



Jayson Pajamas

Give him a pair of these pajamas. They're long sleeves and knitted cuffs. Pleated at the collar. In navy, brown and navy. Matching footies. All sizes.

\$2.49



Silk Pajamas

Luxurious silk pajamas that are bound to please even the most hard to please men. Rich lustrous fabrics, that wash beautifully incidentally. Tailored, in solids or stripes.

\$2.98 to \$4.98

ROBES

Silk, Brushed Rayon Gabardine

Handsome robes, in rich warm colors and broad stripes. Truly a luxury robe to make him feel optimistic about his leisure time and give him the impression you're out to please at any cost. Styled with a neat balance of smartness and comfort.

\$5.98 to \$9.98

Neckties

Silks and Wools

A large selection of patterns and colors to please the most discriminating. And you would never guess ties as beautiful could be sold at this price. Silks or wools in hundreds of patterns.

\$1.00

The Leading Department Store

Geo. W. Robison & Co.

Nashville

SOCIETY

Dorothy Heard, Editor

Telephone 768

Social Calendar

Thursday, December 18th
Chorus practice for the First Methodist church choir, 7:30 o'clock.

Christmas tea for the members of the Little Church, 2:30 o'clock.

Young I of the Girl Scouts, Mrs. Mary Pender, Sunday, Dec. 15th, 10:00 o'clock.

Hope chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star, 7:30 o'clock.

Girls' Glee Club, 7:30 o'clock.

7 o'clock. All members are urged to attend.

Friday, December 19th
Rehearsal for the White Christmas program at the First Methodist church, 7 o'clock.

Holiday party for the members of the Junior department of the First Methodist church, 7:30 o'clock.

Friday, December 19th
Christmas party, home of Mrs. C. C. McNeil, 7:30 o'clock. Members are asked to bring a bottle for the collection.

The Hope Board members and their parents will have the third annual Christmas party, at a reception to be given at the Home Extension center, 4 to 8 o'clock. Mr. Cannon will assist in the Christmas message following a singing about which selections are to be made.

Saturday, December 20th
Dinner at the Home for the members of the S. E. club, 9 to 1 o'clock. The Home Extension Center will help.

Sunday, December 21st
The members of the Girls' Glee Club and those who wish to sing in the choir will have a Christmas party at the Extension Center, 7:30 o'clock.

SAENGER

NOW...

"I WAKE UP SCREAMING"

FRI. & SAT.

Double Feature

Norman MacDonald

"Down in San Diego"

PLUS...

BILL ELLIOTT

"Return of Daniel Boone"

RIALTO

FRI. & SAT.

ROB STEEL

"BILLY THE KIDS FIGHTING PALS"

"Bury Me Not On The Lone Prairie"

Johnny Mack Brown

Ferry Knight



We're sorry
Many Christmas Long Distance calls will be delayed

We simply do not have enough long distance lines to handle at a moment's notice all the calls that flood our offices after important war broadcasts, and after 7 p.m. on almost any evening nowadays.

It is as if thousands of citizens in every community appeared at the railroad station at the same hour, hoping to catch the same train.

Even before the outbreak of war we had foreseen that delays inevitably would occur on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Now it appears the volume of calls will be even heavier than we had anticipated.

We have done and are doing all we can to make ready for these big rushes, but they are setting all-time records. Thousands of conversations vital to the Army and Navy—vital to the defense of this nation—go over the telephone lines each day, each night. Some of them may delay your calls. We are sure you understand. We appreciate your co-operation, your patience.

SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY

A suggestion: If you will call by number whenever possible and try not to talk too long, you will help to ease the delay periods for yourself and for others.

OUT OUR WAY

DAT WHY AH LAK TER RIDE A MULE DE BEST? SHE SEE DAT DEER FUST... YOU CAIN'T GET A MULE TER GO INTER NO QUICKSAND BOGS ER ONTO THIN ICE... DEYS SURE-FOOTED IN DE ROCKS... DEY JES' DONT OVERLOOK NUFFIN, A MULE DONT!

THAT LEAVES YOU WITH NO THINKING AT ALL TO DO FOR DAYS ON END, EH, ICK?

By J. R. Williams

OH, ICK'S O.K. -- HE DIDN'T START RIDIN' MULES TILL HE WAS MENTALLY DEVELOPED! NOW IF HE'D STARTED, SAY, AT SIX, WHY, HE'D STILL BE SIX!



THE MIND RESTER

Children of the Confederacy

Have Fun-Christmas Dinner

A salute to the Confederate flag was given at the meeting of the Confederate Chapter of the Children of the Confederacy at the December meeting. The program was given by the members of the chapter, including Mrs. J. R. Williams, who gave the invocation.

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Personal Mention

Mr. and Mrs. Jewett Monte of Detroit, Mich., are spending the holidays in the city with relatives and friends.

Miss Martha White, Polly Toller, Mary Cornelia Holloway, and Nancy Faye Williams will arrive Saturday night from T. C. W. Denton, Texas, for a two-week vacation with relatives and friends.

Mrs. James G. Martindale will motor to Conway Friday. She will be accompanied on the return trip by her son, J. D. Martindale, a freshman at Hendrix college.

From the University at Fayetteville will come Mary Wilson, Nancy Hill, and Marjory Dill. They are expected to arrive Friday night for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hausmann of Nicholson, Pa., are the parents of a little son, Robert, born December 8 in Nicholson. The maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Schooley of this city.

Simple Enough
"Your wife is a very systematic woman, isn't she?"
"Yes, very. She works on the theory that you can find whatever you want when you don't want it by looking where it wouldn't be if you did want it."

Humie Haynes Is Feted On 4th Birthday
Master Humie Haynes celebrated his 4th birthday Wednesday morning, December 17, in the kindergarten room of Miss Mary Perkins. The room was attractively decorated with Christmas scenes. The small tables were covered with red cloths, and the center table held a beautiful birthday cake topped with 4 candles. Candy Christmas trees and star-shaped cookies, each centered with a glowing candle, marked places for the following young guests:

Maria Lee Bowden, Joe Nathan Harbo, Martha Hamilton, Gale Cook, Caroline Sue Coffey, Dale Zann, Frank and Mary Charline Horton, David McKenzie, Janet McKenzie, Bobby Jean, Kay and Anne Hankins, Dick Branch, Al and Ginnane Graves, Lynn Armstrong Jr., Judy Watkins, Van Moore, Jimmy Lewis, Rufus and Ginny Lou Herndon, Billy Poe, Bill Thomas, Bill Wray, Lou Nell Cox, Judy Beth Arnold, Sue and Judy Moses, Caroline Lowell, Fredrick Jones, Susan Robins, Mac McRae, Betsy Ross Spence, Betty Ruth Weakley, Sonia Somerville, Larry Marton, Donald Hobbs, Roberta Howard and the honoree.

The hostess, Mrs. Henry Haynes, was assisted by Mrs. Gus Haynes in dispensing hospitality.

Ice cream and cake were served to the guests, who received as favors wrist watches and whistles.

Mrs. Clyde Monte Presides at Brookwood P. T. A. Meeting
Brookwood P. T. A. met Tuesday afternoon at the school at 3 o'clock. In the absence of the president, Mrs. C. W. Tarpley, Mrs. Clyde Monte presided at the meeting.

All matters of business were postponed until the January meeting. A program of Christmas Carols was presented by the pupils of Mrs. M. A. Brooks, and the November minutes were read by the secretary, Mrs. Wherry, read the national president's message.

A most interesting program was presented by Mrs. Ruffin White.

Miss Mary Claude Fletcher gave an illustrated lecture on "Decorating Our Homes for Christmas."

In the count of mothers, Mrs. J. M. Andrews' room received the dollar. Thirty members attended.

Annual American Legion Auxiliary Luncheon at the Hotel Henry
The Yuletide season, which affords much opportunity for effective decoration, was the motif for the annual Christmas luncheon given by the members of the American Legion Auxiliary at the Hotel Henry dining room Wednesday.

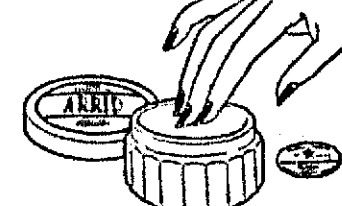
The club in its holiday entertainment featured a beautiful Christmas story given by Mrs. Jack Sullivan. She was introduced by the president of the club, Mrs. C. P. Tolson.

Luncheon was served on a large U-shaped table decorated in the chosen theme. Red tapers glowed from mounds of holly and corsages of the same greenery marked the places of the 25 guests.

Gifts for each guest were distributed from a brightly lighted tree.

Blue eyes and black eyes have the same pigment. In blue eyes, however, the pigment is deposited less densely.

New under-arm Cream Deodorant safely Stops Perspiration



1. Does not irritate skin. Does not irritate skin.
2. No waiting to dry. Can be used right after shaving.
3. Instantly stops perspiration for 1 to 3 days. Removes odor from perspiration.
4. A pure, white, greaseless, harmless vanishing cream.
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PASSED and approved this 10th day of December, 1941.

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Titans of the Pacific Clash

Head Men of the Japanese-U. S. Naval Fleets

U. S. Pacific Fleet
War is fought with guns, planes, torpedoes and tanks. But the most important of these is the human element of men. These are the men—the admirals and generals—who lead the fleets and armies. In the Pacific, the Japanese have the advantage of a few years' more experience in naval warfare.

Two warships—two have been under arms for 10 years.
Adm. Claude Charles Bloch, head of the Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, naval base, was marked for the navy on the day he heard his first tale of the sea as a boy. Kentucky-born Admiral Bloch saw his first action under "Fighting Bob" Evans and was decorated for rescuing Spaniards from burning ships at the battle of Santiago Bay. He was named to his present job after doing a two-year bit as commander-in-chief of the fleet.

Admiral Thomas C. Hart, commander of the U. S. Asiatic Fleet, is known to his fellow officers as "preppy" because of his "preppy" quick to make up his mind but practically always right. A sharp tongue with back-passers will probably keep him from ever being the most popular man in the Navy, but over the years when he was commander of the Naval Academy, he has had friends who honor him as a straight-shooter.

Mag. Gen. Walter C. Short, commander of the Hawaiian department of the U. S. Army, doesn't stand on ceremony. Officers at Ft. Hammon, Honolulu, H. I., had arranged formal luncheon for him when he arrived to take over as commander of the First Division in 1938, but Short went around that he didn't want any. The general went into the World war. The general went into the World war. The general went into the World war.

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HIS CHRISTMAS CAROL

By ADELAIDE HAZELTINE

THIS STORY: When Andrew Dearborn, first of his kind, his secretary Carol refuses to admit to unpopularity Mr. Dearborn, assistant manager of Dearborn's Store, that she knows the terms of the will, having typed it, how, even, she knows that she and five other employees are to judge whether or not playboy son Andy Dearborn, working with clerk Linda Julian, runs the store according to his father's policy of "business as the people." If the store is to be sold for charity, Carol's role is the more difficult because another faithful employee, Nicky, is in love with her, while she has loved Andy since childhood, remembering a time when he suggested to come into the store was put off by his father.

"JUST HIS SECRETARY—"
CHAPTER III
THE other five on the jury to judge young Andy were not actually named. The will simply specified that they would be the five who on the day of his death had longest served the store. "These five and Carol Fairfield, whom I trust very much."

She had gone to plead with him. "Name someone else, Mr. Dearborn. I'm not capable of helping make a decision like that."

He smiled across his desk at her. "You're perhaps the most capable of them all, Carol. For you, more than anyone else, see the store through my eyes. I would feel safe with you alone to decide it. I expect your influence to be felt. Naturally, he hesitated and she noticed a dampness in his eyes. "I hope with all my heart that Andy will carry on. But the business as I have built it. Where the customer is always right and the employee always happy. If he doesn't, he looks away. Dearborn's isn't exist. I must make sure of that. Promise me you'll stand by the spirit of the will, Carol, between the people and my son."

She said, in a small voice, "I will." She couldn't say, "I love your son, Mr. Dearborn. Hopefully, yes. But love just the same. Don't leave me to pass judgment on him."

She couldn't say anything to change his mind. The more she tried to say the firmer he became. "You'll do this one last thing for me, Carol. You'll do it well. He spoke the words he had written in the will. "I trust you very much."

Quickly she ran over the list of the five who were with her in the store in various, Melville in dresses, John in the stock room, Mr. Mayors in the merchandising office, Miss Fanny in history. They had been longer in the store.

Suddenly she tensed, glanced at a calendar. December 18. She drew a startled breath. Annual inventory began the Monday after New Year's. Seventeen days away.

Too short a time. Far too short! Yet there it was. Mr. Dearborn had thought inventory the right date to close the store, if close they must. He surely hadn't expected to die within less than three weeks of it!

Every day, every minute was precious. It was too much for her young shoulders. She dropped down at her desk, hung her head on the typewriter and through sheer bafflement let the tears come.

That's why the masculine feet had stopped beside her before she became aware of them. They stirred impatiently. A pair of women's shoes with ridiculously high heels joined them.

Carol took a quick dab at her eyes, smoothed her hair and looked up.

DAZZLED, she rose and said, "Oh, you've come!" Andy Dearborn and Linda Julian stood before her.

Andy's voice sounded strained, action quickly.

Admiral Osami Nagano, Japanese naval chief of staff, must regret the turn of fate that steered his ships against the United States. In 1913 he went to Boston to study English, living with a family named Wheeler. Years later, on duty in Washington, he spent every Christmas with them. Bushy-haired, almost bald, 61-year-old Nagano is bigger than most Japanese, and his officers call him "the elephant."



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"You'll do it well," he had said. "I trust you very much."

"I'm sorry your cable didn't reach us sooner, Carol. With the funeral and all—you must have had a lot on your hands."

"We managed. If we'd known you could come so soon—" "I left within an hour after I got your cable."

"They couldn't find you for two days." Her tone was an accusation. He noticed it and stiffened. "We were cruising. We didn't hit a port for a week. I had no idea my father was ill." A shadow of pain crossed his face.

Her sympathy went out to him. She knew he had loved his father. "You must have known he expected an attack any time."

He looked steadily at her. "No, I didn't know. He never mentioned it." After a moment he added, "You probably knew more about him than I did."

"He loved the store. He kept hoping you'd be here more."

"Yes, I know." A one-sided smile embellished the meaning of his words. "Well, you know how we go along, Carol. The time I was here he was always pushing me to settle down—to keep my nose to the desk—" He stopped.

"Of course, you're not interested in that."

A cool voice cut in. "Why should she be, darling? After all she was only his stenographer."

Carol drew back. Linda was tall with an amazingly clear skin under her cruise tan. Her eyes were a contemplative yellow-green. Her mouth now wore a derisive smile. "Let's go in the office and get out of this unholy noise," Linda urged.

For the first time Carol realized the footsteps of hundreds of customers might be called noise. She had thought of them as music. It meant business was good at Dearborn's.

Andy's eyes continued to hold Carol's as he said absently to Linda, "Yes, of course." He turned and touched the knob of his father's office, paused. Then, quickly, he turned it, opened the door and went in.

Arkansas Farm Defense Front

State Board Call for Increased Production

Absolute defense on the Arkansas farm front has been called for by the State Defense Board.

Treacherous action by Japan followed by declaration of war by Germany, Italy and other Nazi satellites make it more necessary than ever before that farmers of Arkansas and other states of the nation keep on producing food as it is needed, when it is needed and in the needed quantities.

J. B. Daniels, chairman of the State Board, said in a message to Earl King, chairman of the county defense board.

"The results of the snap-up of farm plan sheets shows that farmers of the state have met the goals assigned to them by the state defense board in the Food and Freedom campaign."

Secretary Wickard recently stated that it may be necessary to revise the goals for certain crops due to the recent war developments. The state board and county boards are ready to make any revisions that department of agriculture officials and farm leaders of the nation deem necessary."

Daniels continued.

In addition to producing food, farm-

ers of the county were advised to be double their efforts to raise farm machinery for busy times next spring.

Farmers of the county have been asked by the county defense board to check their machinery, order necessary parts now and notify the county defense board if parts are not available. With congested shipping facilities anticipated next spring because of the all-out defense program, considerable delay might be experienced by farmers if they do not order parts early.

"We've entered this war equipped with more food, feed and fiber than at any other time in history. We'll need to produce still more in the total destruction of the enemy," Chairman King said.

Texas Technical College has made uniforms for the members of its 70-piece band from wool woven in the school's own mills.

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BREAD 16 1/2 lb. 10c	COFFEE 2 Lbs. 39c		

Fancy Celery 12c	Large Lettuce Head Each 8c	Carrots Bunch 4c	Apples Large 88 Size 6 for 20c
TEXAS Oranges 216 Size doz 19c	ORANGES 216 Size Doz. 25c	GRAPEFRUIT 70 Size 5 for 15c	APPLES 198 Size Doz. 15c

Super Right STEAK lb. 35c	Sunnyfield PICNICS lb. 25c	Sunnyfield BACON lb. 31c	Super Right SHOULDER ROAST lb. 31c
Brisket or Plate POT ROAST lb. 15c	Fresh Side BACON lb. 27c	Wisconsin Full Cream Cheese lb. 31c	
Fresh Meaty SPART RIBS lb. 23c	VEAL STEAKS or CHOPS lb. 35c	SPRING LAMB CHOPS lb. 39c	

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Junior 4-H Club Holds Meeting December 9

The Junior 4-H club met December 9, 1941. The meeting was called to order at 11 o'clock. The opening song was "America the Beautiful." Then we had the 4-H club motto. We sang the "Star Spangled Banner" followed by the Pledge and the Citizenship creed.

Miss Harris gave a demonstration on making walnut belts while Mr. Chambers gave a demonstration on feeding dairy cattle.

NOTICE

In order for our clerks to spend Christmas Eve Night with their families we will remain open late Tuesday night, close at 6 p. m. Wednesday.

SIRLOIN Choice Cuts Lb. 35c

ROAST Prime Rib Rolled Free Lb. 29c

Oysters Lg. Select 39c pt. Sausage Pure Pork 22c lb. PORK CHOPS 27c lb. Ocean Perch Pan Dressed 28c lb.

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MULES, COWS, 12¢ PER BUSHEL at crib. Pile tools, all kinds. Flow gear. See A. N. Stroud, Washington, Ark. 13-12p

DODGE 37 1/2 TON TRUCK, STAKE body, in good condition. Will sacrifice for cash. **Luck's Tourist Court**, Highway 51. 16-3p

FORD 4-TON PICKUP, ALSO well-bred female mule colt, 18 months old. Defense stamps accepted. **Charles V. Fox, R. R. 2, Hope.** 16-3p

Real Estate For Sale

20 ACRES SIX MILES FROM TOWN, good house on good road, sandy land. Price \$25.00 per acre.

40 ACRES THREE MILES FROM TOWN on good road, all in fine meadow, no house. Price \$30 per acre. Can give possession January 1st.

60 FEET BY 142 FEET TERRACE lot, located in the twelfth block on South Main street, with a five room house. Will sell on good terms and give possession at once. With a small expense for repairs you will be buying a home.

100 ACRES SIX MILES FROM TOWN, fine for general farming, with fine pasture and running water, about 20 acres open, balance in timber. Good road through the farm. Four room house, sleeping porch, fine well of water, large stock and hay barn. Under a good wire fence. Electric and school bus lines near. For quick sale will take \$2500.00.

120 ACRES, FOUR MILES FROM TOWN, two houses, barn, potato house, spring, ranch, fine pasture. A fine combination farm for crops and cattle. Price \$25.00 per acre. **FLOYD PORTERFIELD** 11-6c

For Sale Miscel.

PADGITS PEDIGREED PUPPIES for presents. Will hold for Christmas delivery if desired. Cocker, Boston, Chow and Pointers. **Padgits Kennels.** 20-12p

For Sale or Rent

30 ACRES OF LAND WITH GOOD house, joins Experiment Station on south. See T. S. McDavitt.

Taken Up

BLACK AND WHITE HOLSTEIN milky cow. Weight about 800 pounds. **Sid Jones, 511 South Shover street.** 15-10p

Trailers For Sale

SEE MY NEW & USED HOUSE Trailers, American Stage Coaches and Ray Crafts. Prices from \$200 up. Easy terms. See **Thelma Stevens, Darwin's Trailer Camp, Highway 4 north, Hope, Phone 228-2.** 6-30p

NOW ON DISPLAY - FULL LINE Levers Bros. Trailer Coaches. Call while we have several models to select from. **Luck's Tourist Court.** 21-6c

NEW 18-FOOT TRAILER, WELL constructed. Modern, reasonable. Located at 215 North Elm. See **J. W. Sutherland.** 18-3p

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LEMON AND WHITE SPOTTED male pointer blood dog 4 years old. Reward if returned to **Robert LaGrone.** 18-3c

BLACK, WHITE MONTON BULL Terrier, child's pet. Missing. 1941 Pine Bluff license. Call 124, after 5 o'clock. **401-J.** 18-3c

For Rent

SMALL FURNISHED COTTAGE, IN city, on old Fulton road. For couple only. **H. E. Brown.** 17-3c

ROOM FOR GENTLEMAN, ADJOINING bath. Phone 436-W. 17-3c

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Furniture For Sale

IDEAL FURNITURE STORE HAS moved next door to Saenger Theater for better prices on furniture see us. 21-30c

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HIGHEST PRICES PAID FOR MEN'S and boys suits. **R. M. Patterson.** 1-15c

LARGE CLEAN COTTON RAGS, DO not bring work clothes or overalls. **Hope Star.** 13-10c

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NEW OR RENEWAL OF SUBSCRIPTIONS to any magazine published. **Charles Reynerson at City Hall.** 2-11c

Refrigeration

REFRIGERATION SERVICE - WE repair anything Electrical, Wiring motors. **Kelly Refrigeration Service.** 112 Main. Phone 144. 18-12c

Answer to Cranium Crackers

Questions on Page One
1. Jefferson City, Mo.; Carson City, Nev.; Oklahoma City, Okla.; Salt Lake City, Utah.
2. Little Rock, Ark.; Des Moines Ia.; Baton Rouge, La.; Santa Fe.

Legal Notice

NOTICE
Notice is hereby given that the books showing the assessments of street improvement District number three (3) as fixed by the assessors of said District are now in my hands subject to inspection by any person owning property within said District. This 11th day of December 1941.
T. R. Billingsley
City Clerk.

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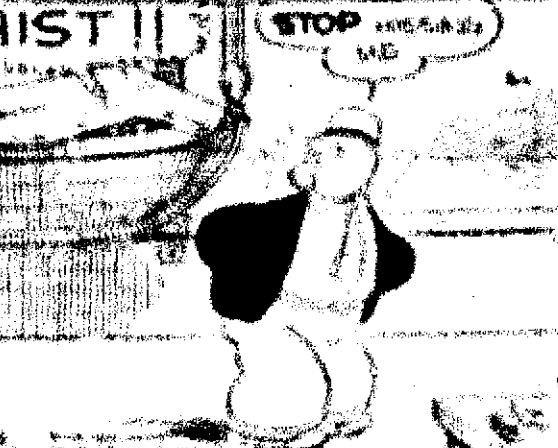
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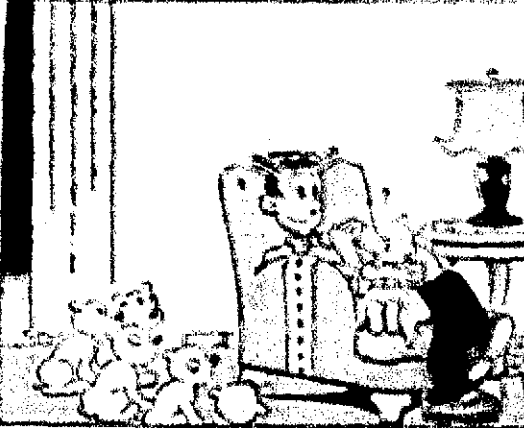
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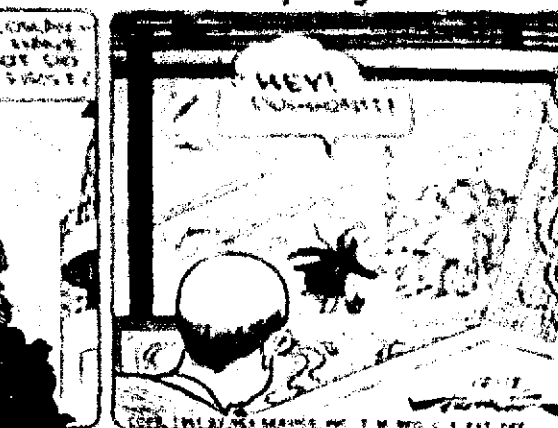
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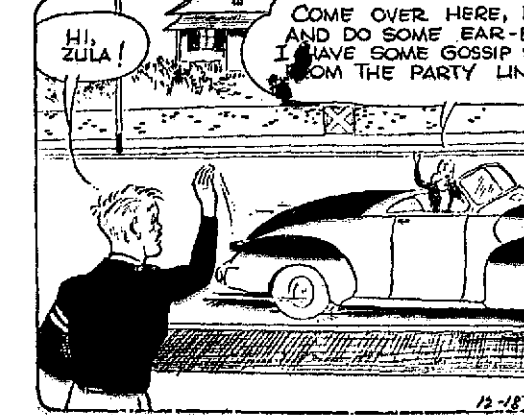
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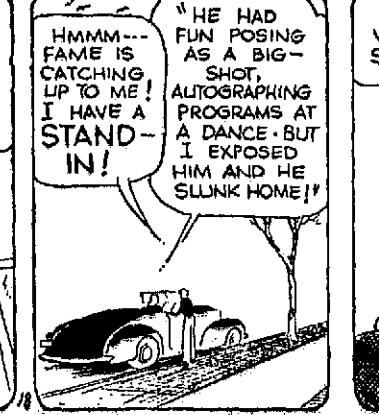
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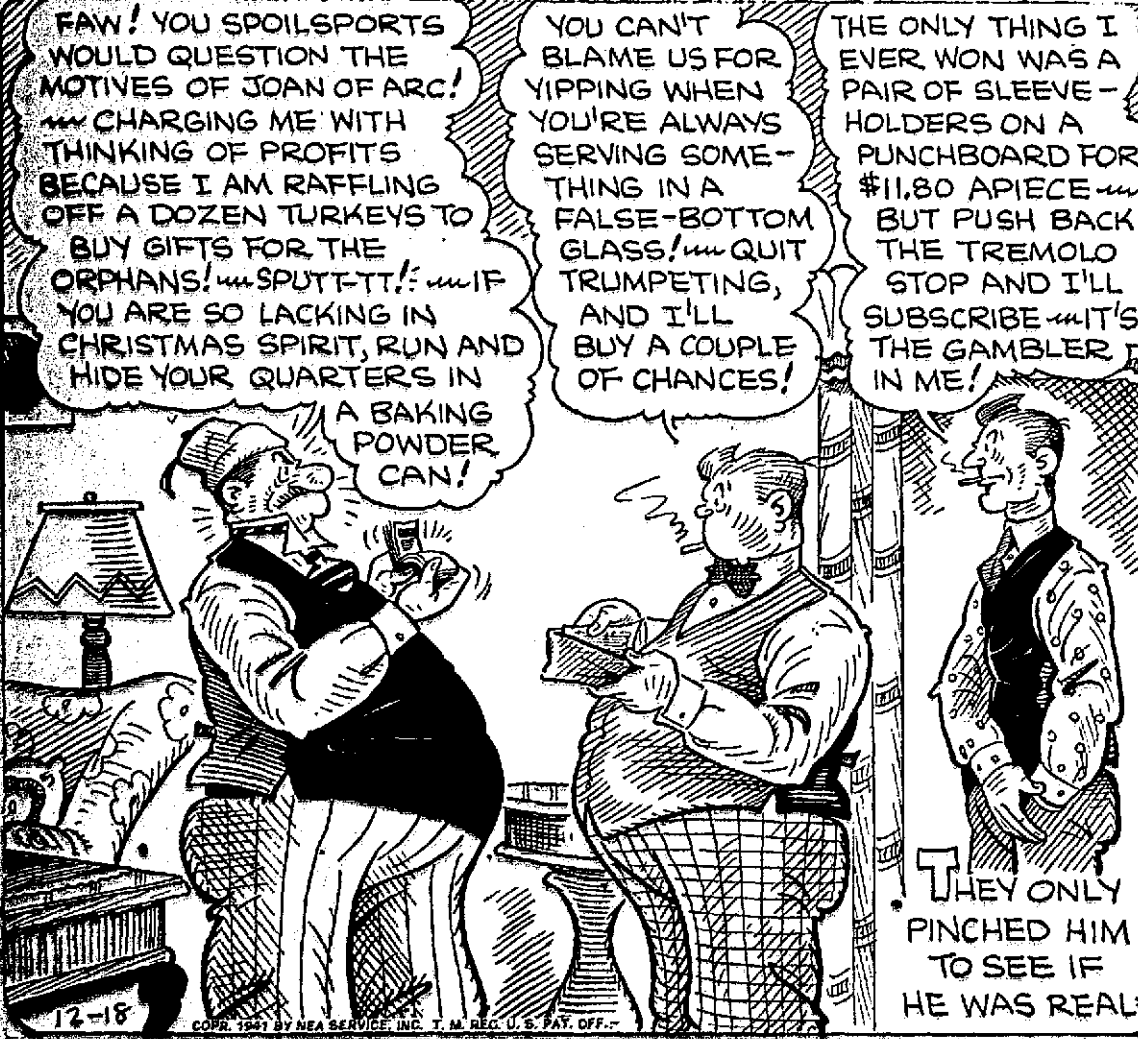


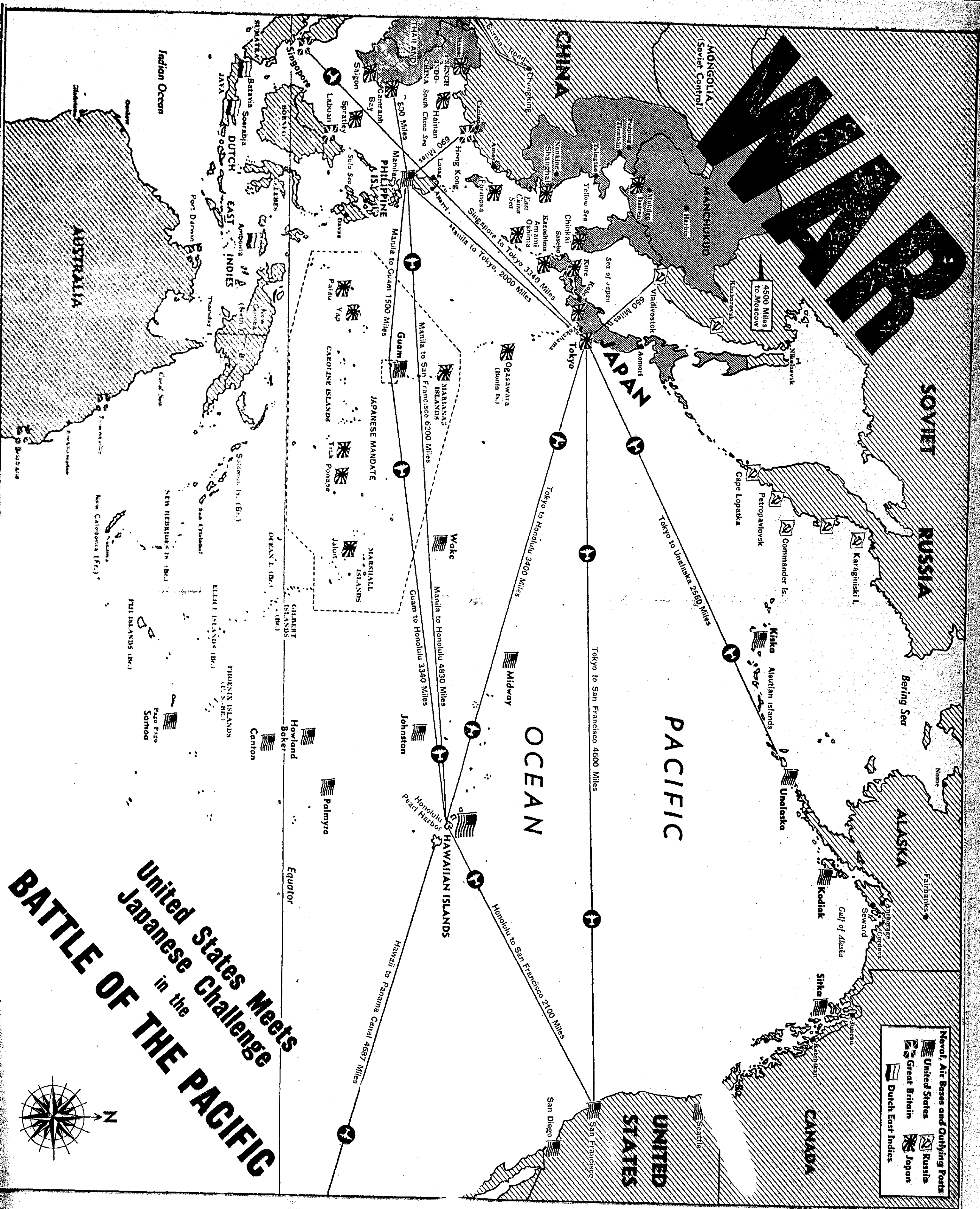
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